

# The U.S. Commercial Service and the World Trade Center of New Orleans Present BANKING ON DEVELOPMENT



## THE CONFERENCE ON PROVIDING SOLUTIONS AND CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR U.S. COMPANIES AT THE MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS

March 30, 2006 8:30am to 5:00pm (Registration starts at 7:30am) World Trade Center – The Plimsoll Club 2 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130

7:30am - 8:30am Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 - 8:40 Welcome to New Orleans

Charles W. Nelson, President, World Trade Center

Don Hutchinson, Executive Assistant to the Mayor for Economic

Development, City of New Orleans

8:40 - 8:45 Opening Remarks

Daniel John Bloom, Director

Advocacy and Multilateral Development Bank Center

8:45 - 9:00 The Accelerating Importance of the Multilateral Development Banks

The Honorable Israel Hernandez, Assistant Secretary for Trade Promotion and Director General for the U.S. & Foreign Commercial

Service

9:00 -11:30 Senior Commercial Officers at the Multilateral Development Banks will

discuss their role and provide an overview of their respective Banks

Panelists: Gene Harris, Senior Commercial Officer

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Frank Foster, Senior Commercial Officer, Asian Development Bank

Rashida Petersen, Acting Senior Commercial Officer

African Development Bank

Brian McCleary, Senior Commercial Officer

Inter-American Development Bank

Will Center, Senior Commercial Officer, World Bank

Moderator: Diane Willkens. President and CEO

Development Finance International, Inc.

11:30am - 12:30pm Visiting U.S. Executive Directors' perspectives on the strategic direction of

the MDBs, how the Banks are improving governance and transparency in less-developed countries, and advancing U.S. procurement opportunities

Invited Panelists: Ambassador Cynthia Perry, U.S. Executive Director

African Development Bank

Ambassador Paul Speltz, U.S. Executive Director, Asian Development Bank

The Honorable Hector Morales, U.S. Executive Director

Inter-American Development Bank

The Honorable Robert B. Holland, III, U.S. Executive Director

The World Bank

Gretchen Biery, Senior Advisor, U.S. Executive Director's Office

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Moderator: Michael Olivier, Secretary of Economic Development, State of Louisiana

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

#### **Informational Training Sessions**

1:45 - 3:15 Session A. Success Stories: Constructing A Winning Bid

Susana Florian, Senior Vice-President, Parsons Brinckerhoff

Session B. Banking on the Private Sector: How to obtain MDB money for your

project in emerging markets

William A. Delphos, Managing Director, Delphos International, Ltd.

Session C. ADB – Procurement of Goods & Civil Works – Part I

Ignatius Santoso, Principal Procurement Specialist, ADB

**Session D.** ADB – Procurement of Consulting Services – Part I Huang Yinguo, Principal Consulting Services Specialist, ADB

3:15 - 3:30 Break

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5:00 - 6:30 The Finale – A Closing Jazz Reception

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